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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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TAGS:PFOR, OGEN, APER, UR, US

SUBJECT: LENINGRAD STAFFING

REF: LENINGRAD 0246

1. DEPARTMENT PLANS TO PRESENT FOLLOWING "NON PAPER" TO  
SOVIET EMBASSY:

2. "THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS LEARNED THAT OUR CONSULATE  
GENERAL IN LENINGRAD IS EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES IN OB-  
TAINING AND RETAINING QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES FROM THE LENIN-  
GRAD DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AGENCY. A RECENT SERIOUS PROBLEM  
DEVELOPED INVOLVING THE SUDDEN AND INEXPPLICABLE DEPARTURE  
OF A VALUABLE SOVIET EMPLOYEE OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL.  
THIS AND OTHER PROBLEMS CALL INTO QUESTION ASSURANCES GIVEN  
BY SOVIET OFFICIALS THAT THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES WILL CON-  
TINUE TO FACILITATE THE EMPLOYMENT OF SOVIET CITIZENS AT  
THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL IN LENINGRAD IN WHATEVER  
NUMBERS SHOULD BE DESIRED. IN VIEW OF OUR RECENT UNDER-  
STANDING REGARDING THE STAFFING OF THE LENINGRAD AND SAN  
FRANCISCO CONSULATES GENERAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WISH-  
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ES TO REGISTER ITS SURPRISE AND CONCERN ABOUT THE UNCOOPERA-

TIVE ATTITUDE OF THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES IN LENINGRAD  
AND TO EXPRESS ITS HOPE THAT THIS SITUATION WILL BE COR-  
RECTED"

3. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT EMBASSY CONVEY SAME MESSAGE  
TO MFA. WHILE REINSTATEMENT OF LENINGRAD EMPLOYEE SEEMS  
UNLIKELY, WE BELIEVE APPROACH WILL MAKE SOVIETS AWARE  
THAT WE TAKE LENINGRAD PROBLEMS SERIOUSLY. MAW

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